

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS (ELCS) LAB

(Common to all Branches of Engineering)

The **English Language and Communication Skills (ELCS) Lab** focuses on listening and speaking skills, particularly on the production and practice of sounds of language and familiarizes the students with the use of English in everyday situations both in formal and informal contexts.

Syllabus: English Language and Communication Skills Lab (ELCS) shall have two parts:

- a. **Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL) Lab which focuses on listening skills**
- b. **Interactive Communication Skills (ICS) Lab which focuses on speaking skills**

The following course content is prescribed for the **English Language and Communication Skills Lab**.

Exercise – I

CALL Lab:

Instruction: Speech Sounds-Listening Skill - Importance – Purpose - Types- Barriers- Active Listening

Practice: Listening to Distinguish Speech Sounds (Minimal Pairs) - *Testing Exercises*

ICS Lab:

❖ Diagnostic Test – Activity titled ‘Express Your View’

Instruction: Spoken and Written language - Formal and Informal English - Greetings - Introducing Oneself and Others

Practice: Any Ice-Breaking Activity

Exercise – II

CALL Lab:

Instruction: Listening vs. Hearing - Barriers to Listening

Practice: Listening for General Information - Multiple Choice Questions - *Listening Comprehension Exercises (It is essential to identify a suitable passage with exercises for practice.)*

ICS Lab:

Instruction: Features of Good Conversation – Strategies for Effective Communication

Practice: Role Play Activity - Situational Dialogues –Expressions used in Various Situations –Making Requests and Seeking Permissions – Taking Leave - Telephone Etiquette

Exercise - III

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CALL Lab:

Instruction: Errors in Pronunciation – Tips for Neutralizing Mother Tongue Influence (MTI)

Practice: Differences between British and American Pronunciation –Listening Comprehension Exercises

ICS Lab:

Instruction: Describing Objects, Situations, Places, People and Events

Practice: Picture Description Activity – Looking at a Picture and Describing Objects, Situations, Places, People and Events (A wide range of Materials / Handouts are to be made available in the lab.)

Exercise – IV**CALL Lab:**

Instruction: Techniques for *Effective* Listening

Practice: Listening for Specific Details - Listening - Gap Fill Exercises - Listening Comprehension Exercises

(It is essential to identify a suitable passage with exercises for practice.)

ICS Lab:

Instruction: How to Tell a Good Story - Story Star- Sequencing-Creativity

Practice: Activity on Telling and Retelling Stories - Collage

Exercise – V**CALL Lab:**

Instruction: Identifying the literal and implied meaning

Practice: Listening for Evaluation - Write the Summary – Listening Comprehension Exercises

(It is essential to identify a suitable passage with exercises for practice.)

ICS Lab:

Instruction: Understanding Non-Verbal Communication

Practice: Silent Speech - Dumb Charades Activity

❖ Post-Assessment Test on ‘Express Your View’